





Welcome to
Sunday Morning Worship
10:30 a.m., October 13th, 2024



THANKSGIVING SUNDAY

MISSION STATEMENT

“St. Andrew’s United Church is a progressive worshipping community dedicated to spiritual growth, caring, and inclusivity that is providing outreach to the community and the world.”

Neil Colmin has prepared your service today. Karen Purdy and Hannah Elich take turns on the piano/organ with Jenna Nash leading the choir; their music brings life and joy to our Sunday mornings!

Please note: We will not be passing the plate; there is a box for your donations at the Sanctuary entrance.

Please join us for coffee and refreshments
after the service!

Announcements:

Celebration Box:

Congratulations to you. May the dear Lord bless you.
May God’s special blessing descend upon you.

Lighting of the Christ Candle:

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Jesus, the Light of the World. Amen



Call to Worship:

Gift-giver, it is the time of year to gather in the produce of the earth; **and so we give thanks for the gifts of food.**

It is the time of year when we admire the bright colours of the season; **and so we pause to give thanks for the beauty of the earth.**

In our time of worship this morning, move within and among us, awakening us to your presence, moving our hearts to respond to your grace. **Amen.**

Hymn: VU # 522 Give Thanks My Soul for Harvest

Children's/Young at Heart Time

Opening Prayer and Lord's Prayer (All):

God, on this Thanksgiving we know enough to give thanks. Our prayers often begin, "Thank you God for..." and then we make a list. The list is longer today, because it's thanksgiving.

But what if thankfulness has nothing to do with lists? What if thankfulness is more like the difference between night and day, the difference between being shut in and being free, the difference between holding on and reaching out? What if thankfulness is not something to be grasped, not something that can be simply said, not some thing at all?

What if thankfulness is transformation? A Copernican revolution of the heart, a re-centering, from our selves to your Son. A blossoming, from bud to flower, all the way to the ripe red apple. A movement from life to death, and beyond the grave to resurrection. What if Thanksgiving is Christmas, Good Friday and Easter all rolled into one.

When we are tempted to simply list our thanks, or give our thanks, show us the wider horizon, where

**we are the extravagant gesture, pressed down,
shaken together, running over; thankful people
made in your image.**

As we
prepare our hearts to receive your word and our spirits
to respond in eagerness, let us pray together the way
Jesus taught saying:

***We pray to you who is our Mother and our Father
who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.***

***Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it
is in heaven.***

***Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our
trespasses as we forgive those who trespass
against us; and lead us not into temptation but
deliver us from evil.***

***For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen***



Scripture Readings

1st Reading Amos 5: 6-7, 10-15

2nd Reading: Psalm 22, part 1 (VU page744)

Gospel: Mark 10: 17-31

Response:

These are our words from scripture.

May God bless our understanding.

Reflection: Being Thankful

Hymn: VU# 120 O Jesus I Have Promised

Offertory Prayer & Dedication:

O God, Jesus taught that where our treasure is, there
will our hearts be also.

In this hour, we come bringing our treasures, all that we

have and all that we are.

We come seeking your treasure, treasure that does not fade, decay, or disappoint.

O God, you provide us so many wonderful gifts that make our lives worth living. The gifts of family and friends, the gifts of love and laughter, the gift of your son Jesus. As humble servants it is right that we should show our gratitude and give back. May the gifts of our time, talent and treasure be used for God's work and glory. Amen

Minute for Mission

Response Hymn: MV # 136 When Hands Reach Out and Fingers Trace

Prayers of the People:

Final Hymn: MV # 427 To Show by Touch and Word

Blessing and Sending:

We began this worship event with thanksgiving. I call on you now to move out into the world with thanksgiving.

O give thanks to our God who is so good, whose love stands firm forever.

Let thanksgiving enhance the joys you experience; let thanksgiving transcend the pains you may suffer; let thanksgiving sweeten the duties you must perform; let thanksgiving underpin even the griefs you may have to endure.

O give thanks to our God who is so good, whose love stands firm forever.

Go now in Peace and may the Love of God surround you, may the Grace of God astound you, and may the Hope of God ground you. **Amen**

Thank you to everyone who participated in today's worship service. Please remember that St. Andrew's United is "Scent-Free".

**Living Skies Regional Council Prayer Cycle 2024
October 13 - Thanksgiving (October 14)**

International Day for the Eradication of Poverty (October 17)

Theodore

Tisdale: St. Paul's

Tomkins

Latest news from St. Andrews:

Attendance: Sept. 29 - 40

Local: \$1115.00

Other donations:

M & S: \$40.00

PAR – Monthly - \$1295.00, M&S - \$145.00

Weekly expenditures: \$5107.25

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Announcements:

The office is now on reduced hours. There is a calendar posted on the door with the hours for each week. Thank you for your understanding.

Committee meetings

UCW – 1st Wednesday @ 2 pm

Outreach – 2nd Thursday @ 4pm

Worship – 3rd Friday bi-monthly @ 9:30am

Choir practice – Sundays 9:30 a.m.



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Weekly Schedule

Moose Jaw Scouting	Social Hall	Monday Friday/Sunday	Bi-weekly 5:00pm
Yoga in Moose Jaw	Chapel	Mon. Thurs.	6:00pm
Youth group w/Lisa	Chapel	Sunday Tues.	1:00pm 7:00pm
Crazy Happy Zumba	Social Hall	Tues. Thur.	5:00pm
Bible study	Lounge	Wednesday	10:00am
Quilter's Guild	Social Hall	Every 2 nd Wednesday	7:00pm
Easy Does It (Al-Anon)	Lounge	Wednesday	7:00pm
Movement with Sue	Chapel	Wednesday	5:30pm
Hi-Steppers (A.A.)	Lounge	Fri.	7:00pm
Chinese Christians	Lounge	Sunday	1:00 p.m.
Enough is enough (N/A)	Lounge Chapel	Sun., Mon., Tues. Thurs. Friday	7:00 p.m.
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